AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY MARCH 27, 2001

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2001-02 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1529

Introduced by Assembly Member Wyman

February 23, 2001

An act to add Section 25551 to the Public Resources Code, relating to energy resources.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1529, as amended, Wyman. Transmission lines.

Existing law authorizes the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to establish a process for the expedited review of applications to construct and operate powerplants and thermal powerplants and related facilities. The definition of facility includes any electric transmission line or thermal powerplant or both electric transmission line and thermal powerplant.

This bill would require the commission to establish a procedure for the expedited review of electric transmission lines any utility corridor, defined by the bill to mean an area in which an electric transmission line, natural gas pipeline, and water pipeline converge.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 25551 is added to the Public Resources
- 2 Code, to read:

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25551. (a) Notwithstanding subdivision (a) of Section 25522, and Section 25540.6, the commission shall establish a process to issue its final certification for any electric transmission line utility corridor within four months after the filing of the application for certification that which, on the basis of an initial review, shows that the line utility corridor will comply with all applicable standards, ordinances, statutes, or regulations.

8 (b) "Utility corridor," for purposes of this section, means an 9 area in which an electric transmission line, natural gas pipeline, 10 and water pipeline converge.